Sixty-second session

Organization of the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items

First report of the General Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 1st meeting, on 19 September 2007, the General Committee considered a memorandum by the Secretary-General relating to the organization of the sixty-second regular session and future sessions of the General Assembly, the adoption of the agenda and the allocation of items (A/BUR/62/1). A summary of the discussions will appear in the summary records of the meetings (A/BUR/62/SR.1).

2. The General Committee took note of the provisions of the following resolutions which are reflected in the present document under the relevant sections:

   (a) Annex I (Guidelines on the Rationalization of the Agenda of the General Assembly) to resolution 48/264 of 29 July 1994, entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”;

   (b) The annex to resolution 51/241 of 31 July 1997, entitled “Strengthening of the United Nations system”;

   (c) The annex to resolution 55/285 of 7 September 2001, entitled “Revitalization of the General Assembly: improving the efficiency of the General Assembly”;

   (d) Resolution 57/301 of 13 March 2003, entitled “Amendment to rule 1 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and opening date and duration of the general debate”;

   (e) Resolution 58/126 of 19 December 2003, entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”;

   (f) Resolution 58/316 of 1 July 2004, entitled “Further measures for the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”;

   (g) Resolution 59/313 of 12 September 2005, entitled “A strengthened and revitalized General Assembly”;

   (h) Resolution 60/286 of 8 September 2006, entitled “Revitalization of the General Assembly”.

II. Organization of the session

A. General Committee

3. The General Committee took note of rule 40 of the rules of procedure and document A/56/1005 (paras. 9 and 10) pertaining to the functions of the Committee.

4. The General Committee also took note of paragraph 5 of the annex to resolution 58/316 pertaining to the functions of the General Committee, in particular subparagraphs (e) to (h), according to which the General Committee shall continue to consider the further biennialization, triennialization, clustering and elimination of items of the customary agenda of the General Assembly; continue to schedule informal briefings on topical issues; recommend to the Assembly a programme of, and format for, interactive debates on the items of its agenda; and continue to consider ways and means to further improve its working methods to increase its efficiency and effectiveness in all aspects.
5. The General Committee further took note that, at the outset of each session, each Vice-President of the General Assembly should designate a liaison person for the duration of the session. This designation may be made by means of a letter to the President (resolution 55/285, annex, para. 20).

B. Rationalization of work

6. The General Committee took note of the following General Assembly resolutions in relation to the administrative and financial functioning of the Organization:

   (a) Resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, entitled “Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations”;

   (b) Resolution 48/264 of 29 July 1994, entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”;

   (c) Resolution 52/12 B of 19 December 1997, entitled “Renewing the United Nations: a programme for reform”;

   (d) Resolution 58/126 of 19 December 2003, entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”;

   (e) Resolution 58/316 of 1 July 2004, entitled “Further measures for the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”;

   (f) Resolution 59/313 of 12 September 2005, entitled “A strengthened and revitalized General Assembly”;

   (g) Resolution 60/286 of 8 September 2006, entitled “Revitalization of the General Assembly”.

7. The General Committee also took note of paragraph 14 of the annex to resolution 55/285, which reads:

   14. As regards implementation of paragraph 7 of the annex to resolution 51/241, the President of the General Assembly, after consideration by the Assembly of the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization, shall inform the Assembly of his assessment of the debate on the report in order for the Assembly to determine the need for further action.

8. The General Committee draws to the attention of the General Assembly paragraph 3 of the annex to resolution 58/316, paragraphs 8 and 9 of resolution 59/313 and paragraphs 25 and 26 of the annex to resolution 60/286 pertaining to the practices and working methods of the Main Committees.

9. The General Committee also draws to the attention of the General Assembly that the Main Committees shall meet in substantive session only after the end of the general debate and that the First Committee and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) shall not meet simultaneously and may consider meeting in a sequential manner during the regular session of the General Assembly. This arrangement shall not apply if it affects their respective identities, programmes of work and effective consideration of their agendas (resolution 51/241, annex, paras. 31 and 36).
C. Closing date of the session

10. The General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that the sixty-second session of the Assembly recess on Tuesday, 18 December 2007 and close on Monday, 15 September 2008 (rule 2 of the rules of procedure and para. 4 of annex IV to the rules of procedure).

11. The General Committee also recommends to the General Assembly that, during the main part of the session, the First Committee complete its work by Friday, 2 November, the Sixth Committee by Thursday, 15 November, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) by Thursday, 15 November, the Third Committee by Thursday, 29 November, the Second Committee by Friday, 30 November and the Fifth Committee by Friday, 14 December 2007.1

D. Schedule of meetings

12. The General Committee took note of the fact that, in view of financial constraints, meetings at Headquarters are no longer serviced beyond 6 p.m. or on weekends, with the exception of the plenary of the General Assembly and the Security Council. Consequently, meetings of the Main Committees during the sixty-second session, including informal meetings, should start promptly at 10 a.m. and be adjourned by 6 p.m. on weekdays. The General Committee also took note of resolution 59/313, in which the General Assembly strongly urged all officers presiding over General Assembly meetings to start such meetings on time.

13. The General Committee took note of paragraph 1 (b) of the annex to resolution 58/316, which reads:

   (b) With effect from the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly, the meetings of the plenary Assembly shall normally be held on Mondays and Thursdays.

14. Furthermore, the General Committee took note of the fact that measures introduced to reduce costs relating to overtime will be strictly enforced.

15. The General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that, in accordance with past practice, it waive the requirement that at least one third of the members of the Assembly in the case of plenary meetings and one quarter of the members of a Main Committee in the case of Main Committee meetings be present in order to declare a meeting open and to permit the debate to proceed. This recommendation is made on the understanding that such a waiver would not imply any permanent change in the provisions of rules 67 and 108 of the rules of procedure and that the requirement of the presence of a majority of the members for any decision to be taken would be maintained.

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1 A mandatory deadline, not later than 1 December, should be established for the submission to the Fifth Committee of all draft resolutions with financial implications (see para. 37).
E. General debate

16. The General Committee draws to the attention of the General Assembly that, pursuant to resolution 57/301, the general debate for the sixty-second session shall begin at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, 25 September and, in view of resolution 61/269, shall be held without interruption over a period of seven working days until Wednesday, 3 October 2007. The General Committee also brings to the attention of the General Assembly that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed and no speakers will be transferred to the next day, notwithstanding the implications for hours of work. Furthermore, there shall be no time limits for the general debate but the General Assembly will indicate a voluntary guideline of up to 15 minutes for each statement.

17. The General Committee also brings to the attention of the General Assembly that, pursuant to paragraph 7 of the annex to resolution 58/126, the theme “Responding to climate change” has been proposed for the general debate at the sixty-second session.

F. Conduct of the meetings, length of statements, explanations of vote, right of reply, points of order and concluding statements

18. The General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to the relevant rules of procedure regarding the conduct of meetings, namely, rules 35, 68, 72, 73, 99 (b), 106, 109, 114 and 115.

19. The General Committee also draws to the attention of the General Assembly that explanations of vote should be limited to 10 minutes; that, when the same draft resolution is considered in a Main Committee and in plenary meeting, a delegation should, as far as possible, explain its vote only once, i.e., either in the Committee or in plenary meeting, unless that delegation’s vote in plenary meeting is different from its vote in the Committee; and that delegations should exercise their right of reply at the end of the day whenever two meetings have been scheduled for that day and whenever such meetings are devoted to the consideration of the same item (decision 34/401, paras. 6-8 (A/520/Rev.16, annex V)).

20. The General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that points of order be limited to five minutes.

21. With a view to streamlining the procedures of the General Assembly and as another cost-saving measure, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that it review the recommendations contained in paragraph 22 of the annex to resolution 51/241 and paragraph 23 of document A/52/855, regarding the length of statements.

22. The General Committee also recommends to the General Assembly that, in order to save time at the end of the session, the practice of making concluding statements in the General Assembly and its Main Committees should be dispensed with except for statements by the presiding officers (decision 34/401, para. 17 (A/520/Rev.16, annex V)).

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2 On the High-level Dialogue on Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Cooperation for Peace, to be held on 4 and 5 October 2007.
23. The General Committee draws to the attention of the General Assembly resolution 59/313, in which the Assembly invited Member States that are aligned with statements already made by the chair of a group of Member States, where possible, to focus additional interventions that they make in their national capacity on points that have not already been adequately addressed in the statements of the group in question, bearing in mind the sovereign right of each Member State to express its national position.

G. Records of meetings

24. The General Committee took note of the fact that, as at past sessions, during the sixty-second session verbatim records will continue to be provided for the plenary meetings of the General Assembly and the meetings of the First Committee, and summary records will be provided for the other Main Committees and the General Committee of the Assembly.

25. Furthermore, the General Committee draws to the attention of the General Assembly that the practice of reproducing statements in extenso as separate documents has been discontinued for all its subsidiary organs that are entitled to summary records and that any exceptions to this rule may be made by the body concerned only if the statements are to serve as bases for discussion and if, after hearing a statement of the relevant financial implications, the body decides that one or more statements in extenso may be included in the summary record, or reproduced as separate documents or as annexes to authorized documents (resolution 38/32 E, paras. 8 and 9).

26. The General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that the practice of not reproducing in extenso statements made in a Main Committee should be maintained for the sixty-second session.

H. Resolutions

27. The General Committee brings to the attention of the General Assembly that:

• Whenever possible, resolutions requesting the discussion of a question at a subsequent session should not call for the inclusion of a separate new item and such discussion should be held under the item under which the resolution was adopted (decision 34/401, para. 32 (A/520/Rev.16, annex V)).

• Efforts should be made to reduce the number of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly. Resolutions should request reports of the Secretary-General only in cases where that would be indispensable for facilitating the implementation of those resolutions or the continued examination of the question. 3

• In order to ensure that resolutions have greater political impact, they should be short, in particular as regards the preambular parts, and should focus more on action-oriented operative paragraphs (resolution 57/270 B, para. 69).

Whenever possible, for the adoption by the General Assembly of agreed texts of resolutions and decisions, informal consultations should be carried out with the widest possible participation of Member States (resolution 45/45, annex, para. 1 (A/520/Rev.16, annex VII, para. 1)).

The terms “takes note of” and “notes” are neutral terms that constitute neither approval nor disapproval (decision 55/488, annex).

28. The General Committee noted and decided to bring to the attention of the General Assembly that the Secretary-General encourages Member States to transmit all draft resolutions and decisions in electronic form as well as on paper; further encourages Member States to clearly indicate changes to previous resolutions in track change format, using the previous resolutions as a base text; and wishes to inform the Member States that the submitters are responsible for ensuring that the electronic and paper versions of the draft resolutions and decisions are identical in content.

29. The General Committee also draws the attention of the Assembly to rule 78 of the rules of procedure concerning discussions of and action by the Assembly on proposals. To ensure that copies of proposals may be circulated not later than the day preceding the meeting at which they will be considered, proposals should be submitted well in advance of the meeting.

I. Documentation

30. The General Committee draws to the attention of the General Assembly that the Assembly, including its Main Committees, should merely take note of those reports of the Secretary-General or subsidiary organs which do not require a decision by the Assembly and should neither debate nor adopt resolutions on them, unless specifically requested to do so by the Secretary-General or the organ concerned (decision 34/401, para. 28 (A/520/Rev.16, annex V)).

31. The General Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to section III of resolution 57/283 B regarding the timely issuance of documents in the six official languages of the General Assembly. The General Committee further draws the attention of the General Assembly to resolution 59/313, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure that documentation and reports are issued well in advance, in keeping with the six-week rule for the issuance of official documentation simultaneously in all official languages.

32. The General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to resolutions 48/264 and 55/285, in which the Assembly emphasized that restraint should be exercised in making requests for new reports and requested more integrated reports, and to resolution 57/270 B, in which it recognized the need to avoid requesting duplicative reports from the Secretary-General.

33. The General Committee also draws to the attention of the General Assembly that:

- Resolutions should contain requests for observations from States or reports by the Secretary-General insofar as they are likely to facilitate the implementation of the resolutions or the continued examination of the question (resolution 45/45, annex, para. 10 (A/520/Rev.16, annex VII, para. 10)).
• Member States and entities of the United Nations system should make a serious effort to submit their replies and inputs to requests for information or views pursuant to resolutions of the General Assembly within the prescribed deadlines (resolution 55/285, annex, para. 17).

• Member States, when seeking additional information, are encouraged to request that they be provided with the information either orally or, if in writing, in the form of information sheets, annexes, tables and the like (resolution 59/313, para. 17).

34. The General Committee further draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 6 of the annex to resolution 58/316 and paragraphs 16 to 19 of resolution 59/313 concerning documentation.

J. Questions relating to the programme budget

35. The General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to rule 153 of the rules of procedure, which reads:

   No resolution involving expenditure shall be recommended by a committee for approval by the General Assembly unless it is accompanied by an estimate of expenditures prepared by the Secretary-General. No resolution in respect of which expenditures are anticipated by the Secretary-General shall be voted by the General Assembly until the Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee) has had an opportunity of stating the effect of the proposal upon the budget estimates of the United Nations.

36. With regard to rule 153 of the rules of procedure, on the financial implications of resolutions, and paragraph 13 (d) of decision 34/401, which requires a minimum period of 48 hours before action is taken on a proposal so as to allow the Secretary-General to prepare the programme budget implications of drafts before the General Assembly, the General Committee draws the attention of the Assembly to the fact that, in most cases, more than 48 hours are required for the Secretary-General to review the programme budget implications of proposals before the Assembly.

37. The General Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraphs 12 and 13 of decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.16, annex V), which read:

12. It is imperative that Main Committees should allow sufficient time for the preparation of the estimate of expenditures by the Secretariat and for its consideration by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee and that they should take this requirement into account when they adopt their programme of work.

13. Furthermore:

   (a) A mandatory deadline, not later than 1 December, should be established for the submission to the Fifth Committee of all draft resolutions with financial implications;

   (b) The Fifth Committee should, as a general practice, consider accepting without debate the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the financial implications of draft resolutions up to a prescribed limit, namely, $25,000 on any one item;
(c) Firm deadlines should be set for the early submission of the reports of subsidiary organs which require consideration by the Fifth Committee;

(d) A minimum period of forty-eight hours should be allowed between the submission and the voting of a proposal involving expenditure in order to allow the Secretary-General to prepare and present the related statement of administrative and financial implications.

38. The General Committee further draws the attention of the General Assembly to regulation 5.9 of the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (ST/SGB/2000/8; first adopted in resolution 37/234, annex; the Rules in the present revised edition are issued pursuant to resolution 53/207 as well as pursuant to Assembly resolution 54/236 of 23 December 1999 and its decision 54/474 of 7 April 2000), which reads:

Regulation 5.9. No council, commission or other competent body shall take a decision involving either a change in the programme budget approved by the General Assembly or the possible requirement of expenditure unless it has received and taken account of a report from the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of the proposal.

39. Furthermore, the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 6 of resolution 35/10 A, which reads:

6. Decides that all proposals affecting the schedule of conferences and meetings made at sessions of the General Assembly shall be reviewed by the Committee on Conferences when administrative implications are being considered under the requirements of rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly.

40. The General Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to section VI of resolution 45/248 B on procedures for administrative and budgetary matters, which states that the Assembly:

1. Reaffirms that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters;

2. Reaffirms also the role of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. Expresses its concern at the tendency of its substantive Committees and other intergovernmental bodies to involve themselves in administrative and budgetary matters;

4. Invites the Secretary-General to provide all intergovernmental bodies with the required information regarding procedures for administrative and budgetary matters.

41. The General Committee further draws the attention of the General Assembly to the views expressed by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the use of the phrase “within available resources”, and to the report in which the Committee emphasized the responsibility of the Secretariat to inform the

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4 Ibid., Thirty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7A (A/38/7/Add. 1-23), document A/38/7/Add.16.
General Assembly thoroughly and accurately about whether there are enough resources to implement a new activity.\(^5\)

**K. Observances and commemorative meetings**

42. Considering past practice, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that it adopt a format for commemorative meetings that includes statements by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the chairmen of the five regional groups and the representative of the host country.

**L. Special conferences**

43. The General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to the following:

- The Committee on Conferences recommended that the General Assembly should instruct the Main Committees to review the number of special conferences of the United Nations already proposed and scheduled in their respective fields of activity prior to deciding upon the scheduling of new and additional special conferences, thus bearing in mind the relevant portions of resolution 33/55 (recommendation 6 of the Committee on Conferences,\(^6\) adopted by the Assembly in decision 34/405, para. (b)).

- The decision of the General Assembly that no more than five special conferences should take place in a given year and that no more than one special conference should be convened at the same time should be strictly implemented.\(^7\)

- The existing principle that United Nations bodies should meet at their respective established headquarters, as provided for in resolution 40/243, should be strictly enforced. Whenever the Assembly accepts an invitation from the Government of a Member State to hold a conference or meeting away from established headquarters, the additional cost should be borne in full by that Government. The methods of budgeting these costs should be improved so as to ensure that all additional costs are accounted for.\(^8\)

**III. Adoption of the agenda**

44. The General Committee considered the draft agenda of the sixty-second session submitted by the Secretary-General in his memorandum (A/BUR/62/1). All proposals for the inclusion of items in the agenda of the sixty-second session have been communicated to Member States in the following documents:

(a) Provisional agenda of the sixty-second regular session (A/62/150);

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\(^5\) Ibid., Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/54/7).

\(^6\) Ibid., Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/34/32 and Corr.1), chap. VI.

\(^7\) Ibid., Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/41/49), para. 21, recommendation 2 (d).

\(^8\) Ibid., recommendation 4.
(b) Supplementary list of items proposed for inclusion in the agenda of the sixty-second session (A/62/200).

45. The items proposed for inclusion are listed in the agenda, which appears in paragraph 61 below.

46. In paragraph 2 (a) of the annex to resolution 58/316, the General Assembly decided, inter alia, that the agenda of the General Assembly should be organized under headings corresponding to the priorities of the Organization, as contained in the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005 (or in the strategic framework, as appropriate), with an additional heading for “Organizational, administrative and other matters”, for the purpose of giving a sense of structure to the work of the Assembly. For the sixty-second session, the priorities are set out, inter alia, in resolutions 59/278 of 23 December 2004 and 61/235 and 61/254 of 22 December 2006.

47. The General Committee took note of the relevant resolutions pertaining to the review of the agenda, namely, annex I to resolution 48/264, the annex to resolution 51/241, the annex to resolution 55/285, paragraphs 2 and 4 of the annex to resolution 58/316, and paragraph 60 of resolution 57/270 B, in which the General Assembly stated that the General Committee should ensure better coordination of the agendas of the Second and Third Committees.

48. Bearing in mind the extremely heavy workload of the General Assembly and the need to make the most effective use of scarce resources, the General Committee took note of the suggestion by the Secretary-General to consider deferring to a later session items for which decisions or action are not required at the current session (resolution 51/241, annex, paras. 23-26).

49. The General Committee took note of decision 49/426 of 9 December 1994, whereby the General Assembly decided that the granting of observer status in the General Assembly should in the future be confined to States and to those intergovernmental organizations whose activities covered matters of interest to the Assembly.

50. In connection with item 21 of the draft agenda (Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte), the General Committee decided to postpone to a later date its consideration of the question of the inclusion of this item.

51. In connection with item 42 of the draft agenda (Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India), the General Committee decided to recommend that consideration of this item be deferred to the sixty-third session of the General Assembly and that the item be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

52. With regard to sub-item (f) of item 116 of the draft agenda (Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

53. In connection with item 160 of the draft agenda (Observer status for the Regional Centre on Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Great Lakes Region and the Horn of Africa in the General Assembly), the General Committee decided to
recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

54. In connection with item 161 of the draft agenda (Observer status for the Italian-Latin American Institute in the General Assembly), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

55. In connection with item 162 of the draft agenda (Proclamation of the International Year of Human Rights Learning), now entitled “Celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights”, the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion in the agenda as an additional sub-item of item 72 (Promotion and protection of human rights) under heading D (Promotion of human rights).

56. With regard to item 163 of the draft agenda (Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

57. In connection with item 164 of the draft agenda (Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

58. In connection with item 165 of the draft agenda (Urging the Security Council to process Taiwan’s membership application pursuant to rules 59 and 60 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council and Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations), the General Committee decided not to recommend its inclusion in the agenda of the sixty-second session.

59. With regard to item 166 of the draft agenda (Observer status for the Eurasian Development Bank in the General Assembly), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

60. With regard to item 167 of the draft agenda (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

61. Taking into account paragraphs 46 to 60 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following agenda:

**Agenda organized under headings corresponding to the priorities of the Organization**

1. Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly.
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation.
3. Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly:
   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
(b) Report of the Credentials Committee.

4. Election of the President of the General Assembly.  

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.  


7. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee. 

8. General debate.

A. Maintenance of international peace and security


11. Elimination of unilateral extraterritorial coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion.

12. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies.

13. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict.


15. The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development.  

16. Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development.

17. The situation in the Middle East.

18. Question of Palestine.

19. The situation in Afghanistan.

20. The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan.

21. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba.

22. Question of Cyprus.  

23. Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo.  

24. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).  

25. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti.  

26. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning

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9 In accordance with rule 30 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly will hold these elections for its sixty-third session at least three months before the opening of that session. 

10 This item remains on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State.
the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security.\textsuperscript{10}

27. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait.\textsuperscript{10}

28. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People’s Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986.\textsuperscript{10}

29. Assistance in mine action.

30. Effects of atomic radiation.

31. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space.


33. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories.

34. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects.

35. Questions relating to information.

36. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73\textsuperscript{e} of the Charter of the United Nations.

37. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories.

38. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations.

39. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories.


41. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources.

42. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions.
B. Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences


44. Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS.

45. Sport for peace and development:
   (a) Sport for peace and development;
   (b) Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal.

46. Global road safety crisis.

47. 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa.

48. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields.

49. Culture of peace.

50. The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order.

51. Information and communication technologies for development.

52. Macroeconomic policy questions:
   (a) International trade and development;
   (b) International financial system and development;
   (c) External debt crisis and development.

53. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development:
   (a) Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development;
   (b) High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development.

54. Sustainable development:
   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development;
   (b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
   (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;
(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity;

(g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth session;

(h) Sustainable mountain development;

(i) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy.


56. Globalization and interdependence:
   
   (a) Globalization and interdependence;

   (b) Science and technology for development;

   (c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

57. Groups of countries in special situations:

   (a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

   (b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation.

58. Eradication of poverty and other development issues:

   (a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006);

   (b) Women in development;

   (c) Human resources development.

59. Operational activities for development:

   (a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

   (b) Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

   (c) South-South cooperation for development.
60. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research.

61. Towards global partnerships.

62. Social development:
   (a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly;
   (b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family;
   (c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing.

63. Advancement of women:
   (a) Advancement of women;
   (b) Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly.

C. Development of Africa

64. New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support:
   (a) New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support;
   (b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa.

D. Promotion of human rights


66. Promotion and protection of the rights of children:
   (a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children;
   (b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children.

67. Indigenous issues:
   (a) Indigenous issues;
   (b) Second International Decade of the World’s Indigenous People.

68. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination:
   (a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination;
   (b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action.
69. Right of peoples to self-determination.

70. Promotion and protection of human rights:
   (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;
   (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;
   (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;
   (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;
   (e) Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;
   (f) Celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

E. Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts

71. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance:
   (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;
   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;
   (c) Assistance to the Palestinian people;
   (d) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

72. Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence.

F. Promotion of justice and international law


77. Oceans and the law of the sea:
   (a) Oceans and the law of the sea;

78. Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.


83. Diplomatic protection.

84. Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm.


86. The rule of law at the national and international levels.

G. Disarmament


88. Reduction of military budgets:
   (a) Reduction of military budgets;
   (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.

89. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace.


91. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco).


93. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security.
94. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East.

95. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

96. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.

97. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification.

98. General and complete disarmament:
   (a) Notification of nuclear tests;
   (b) Further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the seabed and the ocean floor and in the subsoil thereof;
   (c) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;
   (d) Follow-up to nuclear disarmament obligations agreed to at the 1995 and 2000 Review Conferences of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;
   (e) Preventing the risk of radiological terrorism;
   (f) Missiles;
   (g) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;
   (h) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;
   (i) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;
   (j) Relationship between disarmament and development;
   (k) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments;
   (l) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects;
   (m) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;
   (n) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;
   (o) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them;
   (p) Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus;
   (q) Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities;
   (r) Transparency in armaments;
(s) Nuclear disarmament;
(t) Regional disarmament;
(u) Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context;
(v) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;
(w) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*;
(x) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;
(y) Reducing nuclear danger;
(z) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction;
(aa) Towards an arms trade treaty: establishing common international standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms;
(bb) United Nations conference to identify ways of eliminating nuclear dangers in the context of nuclear disarmament.

99. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly:
   (a) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament;
   (b) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;
   (c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;
   (d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;
   (e) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa;
   (f) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

100. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session:
   (a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;
   (b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament.

101. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East.


103. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region.
105. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction.

H. **Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations**

107. International drug control.
108. Measures to eliminate international terrorism.

I. **Organizational, administrative and other matters**

111. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations.
112. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs:
   (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;
   (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.
113. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections:
   (a) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;
   (b) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;
   (c) Election of five members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission;
   (d) Election of fifteen members of the Human Rights Council.
114. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:
   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;
   (c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;
   (d) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;
   (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;
(f) Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee;

(g) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

(h) Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit;

(i) Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

115. Admission of new Members to the United Nations.

116. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit.


118. The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy.

119. Commemoration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.

120. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations.

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

122. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters.

123. Strengthening of the United Nations system.

124. Follow-up to the recommendations on administrative management and internal oversight of the Independent Inquiry Committee into the United Nations Oil-for-Food Programme.

125. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors:
   (a) United Nations peacekeeping operations;
   (b) Capital master plan;
   (c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
   (d) United Nations Office for Project Services.


129. Programme planning.

130. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations.

131. Pattern of conferences.

132. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations.

133. Human resources management.
134. Joint Inspection Unit.
135. United Nations common system.
140. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations.
153. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East:
   (a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;
   (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.
157. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country.
158. Observer status for the Regional Centre on Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Great Lakes Region and the Horn of Africa in the General Assembly.

159. Observer status for the Italian-Latin American Institute in the General Assembly.


IV. Allocation of items

62. The allocation of items described in paragraph 73 below is based on the pattern adopted by the General Assembly for those items in previous years and organized under the headings of the agenda in paragraph 61 above. The General Committee took note of the relevant resolutions and decisions dealing with guidelines for the allocation of items, namely, decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.16, annex V), resolution 39/88 B, resolution 45/45 (A/520/Rev.16, annexes VI and VII), annex I to resolution 48/264 and the annex to resolution 51/241.

63. The General Committee also took note of subparagraphs 4 (c), (d), (e), (f), (i) and (j) of the annex to resolution 58/316 and paragraph 26 of resolution 61/134 of 14 December 2006 and decision 60/503 A of 20 September 2005 relevant to the allocation of items for the sixty-second session.

64. The General Committee further took note that any request by an organization for the granting of observer status in the General Assembly will be considered in plenary meeting after the consideration of the issue by the Sixth Committee of the Assembly (resolution 54/195).

65. Taking into account the recommendations in section III above regarding the adoption of the agenda, the General Committee approved the allocation of items contained in paragraph 73 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/62/1).

66. Plenary meetings

(a) Item 43 (Report of the Economic and Social Council). The General Committee took note of paragraph 4 (c) of the annex to resolution 58/316 and decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item in its entirety should be considered in plenary meeting, on the understanding that the administrative, programme and budgetary aspects should be dealt with by the Fifth Committee. The General Committee also took note of the clarification that, in implementing resolution 58/316, the relevant parts of chapter I of the report of the Economic and Social Council will be considered by the Main Committees concerned, under agenda items already allocated to them, for final action by the Assembly.
(b) **Item 48** (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields). The General Committee took note of resolution 57/270 B, in which the Assembly decided to consider under this item the chapters of the annual report of the Economic and Social Council relevant to the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, including through the participation in its discussions of the President of the Council.

(c) **Item 48** (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields) and **item 116** (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit). The General Committee took note of resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006, in which the Assembly decided to dedicate a specific meeting focused on development, including an assessment of progress over the previous year, at each session of the General Assembly during the debate on the follow-up to the Millennium Declaration and the 2005 World Summit Outcome.

(d) **Item 49** (Culture of peace). The General Committee took note of paragraph 1 of resolution 61/269 of 25 May 2007, by which the General Assembly decided to hold the High-level Dialogue on Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Cooperation for Peace on 4 and 5 October 2007.

(e) **Item 71** (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance). The General Committee took note of paragraph 26 of resolution 61/134 of 14 December 2006, by which the General Assembly decided, in order to have a more focused and consolidated discussion on humanitarian issues, that the sub-items of its agenda related to the strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations currently considered by the Second Committee should be reallocated to its plenary as of its sixty-second session.

(f) **Item 109** (Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization). As at previous sessions, the General Assembly will hear a brief presentation by the Secretary-General on his annual report\(^\text{11}\) as the first item in the morning prior to the opening of the general debate on Tuesday, 25 September 2007.

(g) **Item 121** (Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly). The General Committee took note of resolution 58/316 and, in order to facilitate the work of the Main Committees, decided to recommend that the General Assembly also allocate item 121 to all the Main Committees for the sole purpose of considering and taking action on their respective tentative programme of work.

(h) **Item 163** (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that this item be considered directly in plenary meeting.

67. **First Committee**

**Item 98** (General and complete disarmament). The General Committee took note of the fact that some portions of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which is to be considered directly in plenary meetings under item

87, deal with the subject matter of this item, and decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the relevant paragraphs of the report be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 98.

68. **Second Committee**

   **Item 53 (b)** (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development: high-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development). The General Committee took note of paragraph 6 of resolution 61/191 of 20 December 2006, in which the General Assembly decided to hold the 2007 High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development in the fourth quarter of 2007. The High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be held on 23 and 24 October 2007.

69. **Third Committee**

   (a) **Item 63** (Advancement of women). The General Committee took note of paragraph 16 of the annex to resolution 39/125 concerning the United Nations Development Fund for Women, which reads:

   16. *Taking into account* the advice of the Consultative Committee, the Administrator shall submit to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme an annual report on the operations, management and budget of the Fund. He shall submit a similar report to the General Assembly, to be referred to the Second Committee for consideration of its technical cooperation aspects and also to the Third Committee.

   The General Committee therefore decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the report be referred to the Second Committee for consideration under item 59 (Operational activities for development).

   (b) **Item 66 (b)** (Promotion and protection of the rights of children: follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children). The General Committee took note of paragraph 1 of resolution 61/272 by which the General Assembly decided to convene a commemorative high-level plenary meeting to evaluate progress made in the implementation of the Declaration and the Plan of Action contained in the document entitled “A world fit for children” on 11 and 12 December 2007.

   (c) **Item 70 (f)** (Promotion and protection of human rights: celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that this item be allocated to the Third Committee.

70. **Fifth Committee**

   (a) **Item 114 (f)** (Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that this item be allocated to the Fifth Committee.

   (b) **Item 129** (Programme planning). The General Committee took note of paragraph 2 of resolution 61/235 of 22 December 2006, by which the General Assembly requested the General Committee to take fully into account resolutions 56/253, 57/282, 59/275 and 60/257 in the allocation of agenda items to the Main Committees. The General Committee also recalled paragraph 9 of resolution 60/257,
by which the Assembly took note of the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/60/73) and encouraged intergovernmental bodies to make use of the findings in the programme performance report of the Secretary-General and evaluation reports in planning and policymaking. On that basis, the General Committee recommends to allocate this item to all the Main Committees and the plenary of the General Assembly to enhance discussion of evaluation, planning, budgeting and monitoring reports.

(c) **Item 137** (Administration of justice at the United Nations). The General Committee took note of decision 61/511 B of 28 March 2007, whereby it decided that the Sixth Committee would continue to consider this agenda item at its sixty-second session, taking into account the outcome of the Fifth Committee’s deliberations on this item. On the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, the General Assembly subsequently adopted resolution 61/261 of 4 April 2007. The General Committee also took note of paragraphs 32, 33 and 34 of resolution 61/261, whereby the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit reports to the Assembly regarding the establishment of the new system of administration of justice; paragraph 35, whereby it invited the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the reports, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters; and paragraph 36, whereby it decided to continue consideration of this item during its sixty-second session as a matter of priority with the objective of implementing the new system of administration of justice no later than January 2009. The General Committee therefore decided to recommend to the Assembly that this item be allocated to the Fifth Committee and to the Sixth Committee in the light of resolution 61/261.

(d) **Item 161** (Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that this item be allocated to the Fifth Committee.

71. **Sixth Committee**

(a) **Item 158** (Observer status for the Regional Centre on Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Great Lakes Region and the Horn of Africa in the General Assembly). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

(b) **Item 159** (Observer status for the Italian-Latin American Institute in the General Assembly). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

(c) **Item 160** (Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

(d) **Item 162** (Observer status for the Eurasian Development Bank in the General Assembly). The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

**Other matters**

73. Taking into account paragraphs 62 to 72 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following allocation of items: 12

**Plenary meetings**

1. Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly.
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation.
3. Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly:
   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President of the General Assembly.
7. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee.
8. General debate.

**A. Maintenance of international peace and security**

11. Elimination of unilateral extraterritorial coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion.
12. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies.
13. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict.
15. The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development.
16. Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development.
17. The situation in the Middle East.
18. Question of Palestine.
19. The situation in Afghanistan.
20. The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan.
21. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba.
22. Question of Cyprus.

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12 The numbers are those of the items of the agenda in paragraph 61 above.
23. Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo.
24. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).
25. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti.
26. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security.
27. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait.

B. **Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences**

43. Report of the Economic and Social Council (see para. 66 (a)).
44. Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS.
45. Sport for peace and development:
   (a) Sport for peace and development;
   (b) Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal.
46. Global road safety crisis.
47. 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa.
48. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields (see para. 66 (b) and (c)).
49. Culture of peace (see para. 66 (d)).
50. The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order.
53. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development (see para. 68):
   (b) High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development.

C. **Development of Africa**

64. New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support:
   (a) New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support;
(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa.

D. Promotion of human rights

66. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (see para. 69 (b)):
   (b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children.

E. Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts

71. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (see para. 66 (e)):
   (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;
   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;
   (c) Assistance to the Palestinian people;
   (d) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

72. Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence.

F. Promotion of justice and international law


77. Oceans and the law of the sea:
   (a) Oceans and the law of the sea;
G. Disarmament


I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

109. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (see para. 66 (f)).


111. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations.

112. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs:
   (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;
   (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.

113. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections:
   (a) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;
   (b) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;
   (c) Election of five members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission;
   (d) Election of fifteen members of the Human Rights Council.

114. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:
   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;
   (c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;
   (d) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;
   (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;
   (f) Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee;
   (g) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;
   (h) Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit;
   (i) Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

115. Admission of new Members to the United Nations.

116. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit (see para. 66 (c)).
118. The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy.
119. Commemoration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.
120. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations.
121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.
122. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters.
123. Strengthening of the United Nations system.
124. Follow-up to the recommendations on administrative management and internal oversight of the Independent Inquiry Committee into the United Nations Oil-for-Food Programme.
163. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community (see para. 66 (h)).

First Committee

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.

G. Disarmament

88. Reduction of military budgets:
   (a) Reduction of military budgets;
   (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.
89. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace.
91. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco).
93. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security.
94. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East.
95. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
96. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.
97. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification.

98. General and complete disarmament (see para. 67):

   (a) Notification of nuclear tests;

   (b) Further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the seabed and the ocean floor and in the subsoil thereof;

   (c) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

   (d) Follow-up to nuclear disarmament obligations agreed to at the 1995 and 2000 Review Conferences of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

   (e) Preventing the risk of radiological terrorism;

   (f) Missiles;

   (g) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

   (h) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;

   (i) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

   (j) Relationship between disarmament and development;

   (k) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments;

   (l) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects;

   (m) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

   (n) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

   (o) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them;

   (p) Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus;

   (q) Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities;

   (r) Transparency in armaments;

   (s) Nuclear disarmament;

   (t) Regional disarmament;

   (u) Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context;

   (v) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;
(w) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*;

(x) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;

(y) Reducing nuclear danger;

(z) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction;

(aa) Towards an arms trade treaty: establishing common international standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms;

(bb) United Nations conference to identify ways of eliminating nuclear dangers in the context of nuclear disarmament.

99. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly:

(a) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament;

(b) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;

(c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;

(d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(e) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa;

(f) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

100. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session:

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament.

101. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East.


103. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region.


105. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction.
I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (see para. 66 (g)).
129. Programme planning (see para. 70 (b)).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee  
(Fourth Committee)

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.

A. Maintenance of international peace and security

29. Assistance in mine action.
30. Effects of atomic radiation.
31. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space.
33. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories.
34. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects.
35. Questions relating to information.
37. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories.
38. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations.
39. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories.

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (see para. 66 (g)).
129. Programme planning (see para. 70 (b)).

Second Committee

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.
A. Maintenance of international peace and security

41. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources.

B. Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences

51. Information and communication technologies for development.

52. Macroeconomic policy questions:
   (a) International trade and development;
   (b) International financial system and development;
   (c) External debt crisis and development.

53. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development (see para. 68):
   (a) Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development;
   (b) High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development.

54. Sustainable development:
   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development;
   (b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
   (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;
   (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;
   (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;
   (f) Convention on Biological Diversity;
   (g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth session;
   (h) Sustainable mountain development;
   (i) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy.

56. Globalization and interdependence:
   (a) Globalization and interdependence;
   (b) Science and technology for development;
   (c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

57. Groups of countries in special situations:
   (a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;
   (b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation.

58. Eradication of poverty and other development issues:
   (a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006);
   (b) Women in development;
   (c) Human resources development.

59. Operational activities for development (see para. 69 (a)):
   (a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;
   (b) Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;
   (c) South-South cooperation for development.

60. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research.

61. Towards global partnerships.

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (see para. 66 (g)).

129. Programme planning (see para. 70 (b)).

Third Committee

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.
A. Maintenance of international peace and security

42. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions.

B. Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences

62. Social development:
   (a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly;
   (b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family;
   (c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing.

63. Advancement of women (see para. 69 (a)):
   (a) Advancement of women;
   (b) Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly.

D. Promotion of human rights

66. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (see para. 69):
   (a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children;
   (b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children.

67. Indigenous issues:
   (a) Indigenous issues;
   (b) Second International Decade of the World’s Indigenous People.

68. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination:
   (a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination;
   (b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action.

69. Right of peoples to self-determination.

70. Promotion and protection of human rights:
   (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;
   (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;
(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;
(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;
(e) Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;
(f) Celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (see para. 69 (c)).

H. Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations

107. International drug control.

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (see para. 66 (g)).
129. Programme planning (see para. 70 (b)).

Fifth Committee

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

114. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:
   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;
   (c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;
   (d) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;
   (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;
   (f) Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee (see para. 70 (a)).

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (see para. 66 (g)).
125. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors:
   (a) United Nations peacekeeping operations;
   (b) Capital master plan;
(c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;

(d) United Nations Office for Project Services.


129. Programme planning (see para. 70 (b)).

130. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations.

131. Pattern of conferences.

132. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations.

133. Human resources management.

134. Joint Inspection Unit.

135. United Nations common system.


137. Administration of justice at the United Nations (see para. 70 (c)).


140. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations.


153. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East:
   (a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;
   (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.


161. Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (see para. 70 (d)).

Sixth Committee

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.

F. Promotion of justice and international law

78. Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.


83. Diplomatic protection.

84. Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm.


86. The rule of law at the national and international levels.

H. Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations

108. Measures to eliminate international terrorism.
I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (see para. 66 (g)).

129. Programme planning (see para. 70).

137. Administration of justice at the United Nations (see para. 70 (c)).

157. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country.

158. Observer status for the Regional Centre on Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Great Lakes Region and the Horn of Africa in the General Assembly.

159. Observer status for the Italian-Latin American Institute in the General Assembly.
